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For: METHODS FOR REGULATING HEMATOPOIETIC CELL  
DIFFERENTIATION WITH POLYMERS CONTAINING  
DISACCHARIDE UNITS

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Sir:

**PETITION TO EXTEND**

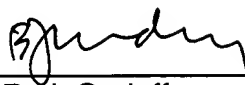
Petition is hereby made to extend the life of the above-entitled application for three (3) month(s) from the due date of February 4, 2004, of the Official Action dated November 4, 2003.

An extension fee of \$950.00 is now attached in order that a Request for a application may be filed herewith.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our **Account No. 14-1140**. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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